

COUNTY OF SOLANO SOLANO SUPERIOR COURT



Joint Press Release

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SOLANO SUPERIOR COURT PARTNERS WITH SOLANO COUNTY TO PROVIDE UNLAWFUL DETAINER SERVICES TO LANDLORDS AND TENANTS

Fairfield, California – The Superior Court of California, County of Solano has partnered with Solano County to provide landlords and tenants with assistance in completing applications for rental relief and assistance navigating the unlawful detainer eviction process.

On October 5, 2021, the Solano County Board of Supervisors approved up to \$250,000 in funding from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) to provide two paralegal positions that will be housed in the Solano Court's Legal Access Center. The paralegals will aid landlords and tenants with their applications for rental assistance, provide information on the unlawful detainer process and assist the Court and the Solano County Bar Association with an already established unlawful detainer settlement conference program.

The State of California has allocated funding for income-eligible renters and their landlords who have been impacted by COVID-19 to cover unpaid rent and/or utilities. These rental assistance payments will help to reimburse landlords and keep tenants housed. Residential landlords and tenants filing to receive COVID-19 rental relief funds for evictions related to non-payments of COVID-19 protected rent between March 1, 2020 – September 30, 2021 must provide verification of effort to secure funds made available through the state.

Anyone seeking information regarding their legal rights and responsibilities as a landlord or a tenant, including unlawful detainers, can get assistance navigating the legal paperwork from the Solano Court's Legal Access Center by calling (707) 207-7355 between 8:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m., Monday – Friday and at erap@solano.courts.ca.gov.

Landlords and tenants can apply for the state's COVID-19 Rent Relief program by visiting the https://HousingIsKey.com website and by calling (833) 430-2122. Unlawful detainer judicial council forms are available on the Superior Court's website at https://www.Courts.Ca.Gov.